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RECORD OF DEATHS.

Short Sketches of the Lives of Persons Who Have Recently Passed Away.

MRS. LYDIA A. HEEFNER.

Lydia A. Heefner widow of David Heefner, died at her home at Hustontown, Tuesday, September 3, 1918, aged 75 years. The funeral was conducted by Rev. Strain of the M. E. church, assisted by Rev. Ehrenhizer of the U. B. church, and her remains were laid to rest in the Hustontown cemetery.

Mother Heefner had been in failing health for some time, but she was able to be up and around until within a few days of her death. She bore her affliction with a true Christian patience. She was a member of the Church for 28 years, but her life work is ended. She was a kind loving mother, and a devoted, affectionate friend to all who knew her. She was known as "Aunt Lydia." She leaves to mourn her loss 11 children—7 sons and 4 daughters, namely, Barbara, wife of Isaac McClain; Geo. D., William H., Jerre L., Jesse B. all prominent farmers of Taylor township; Sadie C., wife of Rev. G. A. Sparks, Hooversville, Pa.; Ezra F., Mifflintown, Pa.; David W., Mapleton Depot, Pa.; James P., Mt. Union, Pa.; Mary E., wife of Bruce Price, Mt. Union, Pa.; and Jennie, wife of Rev. E. H. Swank, Alum Bank, Pa. There are 27 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. She was the mother of 13 children two of whom preceded her to the grave many years ago.

Besides her immediate family she is survived by two sisters: Rebecca Barnett, Everson, Pa.; and Sadie Cutchall, Everett, Pa., with a host of friends and relatives.

"Mother Heefner" is gone. Her chair is vacant. Her voice is stilled. Her home—that home in which she delighted to live—is broken. It is hard to part with our dear mother. We know that she can not come again to us, but we can go to her if we are faithful unto death. Our loss is her eternal gain.

HER CHILDREN.

MRS. MARY KERLIN.

Mrs. Mary Jane Work Kerlin died at the home of her daughter Mrs. Agnes Drake, at Castle Shannon, Pittsburgh, on Saturday, August 24, 1918, of a stroke of paralysis. She was aged 80 years, 9 months and 14 days.

Mrs. Kerlin was born and reared to womanhood on the Old Camp place in Dublin Township, and spent her school days on the Old Campbell place where many of the older citizens attended school with her.

In 1859, she was united in marriage to Samuel Kerlin, who preceded her to the grave many years ago. To this union were born seven daughters, namely, Mrs. Emma Sharpe, Oklahoma; Mrs. Laura Jennie Long, Knobsville; Mrs. Clara Moore, Pittsburgh; Mrs. Victorine Gunnells who preceded her mother to the grave six years ago; Mrs. Agnes Drake, Pittsburgh; Mrs. Edith Regi, Knobsville, and Lillie Mary Bower, who died about twelve years ago. She is survived by 21 grandchildren, and 19 great-grandchildren.

Grandmother Kerlin was well known by Fulton County people, and she spent many years at the Washington House McConnellsburg, after the death of her husband. Then she went to Altoona, and the last few years, she made her home with her children.

MRS. W. M. MORTON.

Laura E., wife of William Martin Morton, died at their home near Steele, N. Dak., on Thursday evening, September 5, 1918, aged about 65 years.

Mrs. Morton was a daughter of Andrew Hamilton, at one time a resident of McConnellsburg, and she was married to W. M. Mor-

IMPORTANT NOTICE U. S. ORDER ON NEWSPAPER PAYMENTS

The United States war industries board, through the pulp and paper section, has made this ruling:

"Discontinue sending papers after date of expiration of subscription unless the subscription is renewed and paid for. (This ruling to be effective October 1, 1918)."

This will effect every FULTON COUNTY NEWS subscriber. It means that every subscriber must keep paid up to date. Beginning October 1 all subscriptions must be paid to date, or in advance. Consult the label of your paper. If it shows you are in arrears, arrange to pay this arrearage before October 1st, and to pay in advance, for as long a period as you desire.

This is a ruling of the United States Government and it must be complied with by every newspaper in the country. The publishers are obliged to enforce it and any violation of the order means a discontinuance through the mails of the newspaper that disregards it. We are therefore compelled to ask every subscriber to pay up all arrearages to October 1st and as far ahead as suits, and thereafter keep paid up, or the paper will have to be discontinued.

ton about 42 years ago. In 1855, she and her husband went with the "colony" to North Dakota, where they since resided. She is survived by her husband and the following children: Thomas, residing in North Dak.; George, in Montana, and Ruby Maude, wife of Edward Thompson, in Bismark, N. D.

Before her marriage, Mrs. Morton was a successful school teacher in this county, and taught several terms during County Superintendent Woodall's administration.

The bereft husband and children have the sincere sympathy of their many Fulton County friends.

FRANK B. SIPES.

Frank B. Sipes passed peacefully away at his home on North First Street, a few minutes after twelve o'clock Tuesday morning, September 10, 1918, lacking one day of being 67 years of age. The funeral services, which will be conducted by Rev. John M. Diehl, of the Presbyterian church at Welsh Run, Pa., will take place at the house at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon, and interment will be made in the family lot in Union cemetery.

Frank was the last member of the family of James and Martha Layton Sipes, the mother and one brother, Harvey, having died within the past year. Thirty-six years ago, he was married to Miss Nettie, daughter of the late J. Nelson Sipes, who survives, together with two children: John Duffield, now with the American Expeditionary Forces in France, and Russell, at home.

During the past four years Frank had been in poor health, but his condition was not such as to warrant serious apprehension, until a very few hours prior to his death, the immediate cause of which was neuralgia of the heart.

LENA MELLOTT.

Lena Mellott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Mellott, of Ayr township, died in the Chambersburg hospital Saturday morning, September 7, 1918 after a ten-days' illness of typhoid fever aged 14 years, 4 months and 19 days. Her remains were taken to the home of her parents on Sunday, and the funeral, conducted by Rev. T. P. Garland, took place Monday, interment being made in Union cemetery. Besides her parents, Lena is survived by the following brothers and sisters. Quay, with the American Expeditionary Forces in France; Obed, Jacob, Garthwaite, and Linn at home; Goldie, wife of George Keefer; Jessie, wife of Thomas Keefer; and Grace, wife of Barney Bivens—all of Ayr township.

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THE WATER QUESTION.

The Company Now Busy Installing Meters in the Homes of Their 186 Patrons.

Ever since the installation of the Water system by the McConnellsburg Water Company 18 years ago, there has been more or less friction between the Company and the consumers. Together with being deprived of the use of the water in winter on account of freezing, and in the summer on account of an insufficient supply in the reservoir, the service has been anything but satisfactory.

Upon complaint from time to time, the Company in obedience to orders from the Public Service Commission have added a number of springs—but notwithstanding the Town during the past year has been without fire protection on account of a lack of water.

The Water Company claimed that there was an abundance of water sent into the town, but that the people of the town wasted it, and to remedy this, they appealed to the Commission for permission to put in meters and change the tariff of rates.

The rates, in themselves, did not seem to be unreasonable; but there were a few riders in the "bill" that did not look good to the consumer: 1. The Consumer was to pay two cents a (50-gal) barrel for the water consumed, and to pay in addition a rental of eight dollars a year for the meter. 2. The Consumers are to have all the water they wish as long as the supply holds out; but in case of a freeze-up or a dry-up, there is to be no "comeback" on the Company. This ruling was to have taken place on the first of August.

The consumers got busy, employed a corporation lawyer, and asked for a hearing. This was granted and on Thursday of last week, the Commission heard the case in the lobby of the Senate chamber at Harrisburg. The result is, that the Company are ordered to install the meters—placing one at the intake of the reservoir and one at the outlet. Then, at such time as the Commission may deem proper, a State Hydraulic Engineer will be sent here after which the rates will be adjusted by the Commission, and the Company directed as to the additional supply needed.

Ninety-five Years Ago.

Harvey Nesbit handed us a few days ago a scrap of an old newspaper printed in 1823 which contains the following notice: "Dr. James P. Scott offers his personal services to the citizens of McConnellsburg and vicinity. His shop is in the house of Judge Dickey, in the room formerly occupied by C. W. Michaels as a drug store."

The Judge Dickey house was part of the house now the residence of the Misses Dickson, and later known as the Denig drug store, the Duffield drug store and the Shade drug store. Dr. James Scott was the father of Dr. Samuel D. Scott, for a long time practicing at the Old Stone House on the Lincoln Highway at the eastern foot of Sideling Hill.

Stopped His Paper.

Andrew Daniels, of Pawnee Rock, Kansas, writes:—"M. R. PECK: As my eyes are failing, I will have to ask you to stop sending me the NEWS when my present subscription runs out. I will be 90 years old on my next birthday. I would gladly continue to take it, if I could see to read."

Make no apologies, brother; you have been a faithful patron and a good friend of the NEWS for many years. While the shadows are lengthening and deepening upon your life, the Editor is almost nineteen years nearer the Great Divide than when he launched the NEWS upon the uncertain waters of public favor.

Blasting Accident.

At the stone quarry near the Old Mill just south of town, where material is gotten out for the re-surfacing of the Lincoln Highway, an accident occurred last Thursday that might have cost the life of William Comer.

When rocks have been blown out of the hill that are too large to be sledged, they are dynamited. To do this, a stick of dynamite is placed on the rock to be broken, and the dynamite covered with a quantity of mud. This causes the force of the explosive to crush the stone and prevents a shower of fragments from going into the air. On this occasion, Mr. Comer had prepared two blasts, lighted the fuse and walked away. One of the whistles went off. After waiting awhile, Mr. Comer was satisfied that the other had gone out, and walked up and as he stopped to look, he was horrified to see that it was just ready to go off, and in a second's time the explosion took place, throwing mud and gravel into his face and over his body covering him with bruises.

He was taken to the doctor right away, when it was found that he was not seriously injured, and will likely be back at work before many days.

Auto Killed Woman in Everett.

Rebecca, wife of Albert Eshelman, aged 63 years, was run down and killed in Everett on Monday evening of last week, by a seven-passenger Hudson driven by Lena Maye Irwin, of Brooklyn, N. Y. Mrs. Eshelman was returning from a store just across the street from her home. Several trucks and automobiles standing along the street obstructed the view and neither she nor the driver of the car saw each other until it was too late to avoid the accident. Mrs. Eshelman's neck was broken and death was instantaneous. On account of the fact that the accident was purely accidental, Miss Irwin was exonerated from any blame. Mrs. Eshelman was the mother of Herbert Jackson's wife near Akersville.

Fell from Cellar Steps.

In descending the steps into the cellar at her home on East Lincoln way last Sunday, Mrs. Sue Bivens, tripped and fell. It happened that she had almost reached the bottom step; but Mrs. Bivens is not as young and supple as she once was, and in consequence, will be housed up for awhile. Her doctor does not think any bones were broken.

Mr. and Mrs. Urner Truax and sons Elmer and Bennett, spent a few hours in town Tuesday.

FIRE IN McCONNELLSBURG.

More Than Fifteen Thousand Dollars Worth of Property Consumed Early Wednesday Morning.

About 4:30 o'clock Wednesday morning, it was discovered that the Central garage, owned by D. E. Little and operated by James W. Linn, in the rear of the City Hotel, was afire. About the first man to reach the garage after the alarm was given was John McLucas, the driver of the big parcel-post Government car, which was stored in the garage. His residence is just across the street from the garage. When Mr. McLucas opened the garage door, the whole inside burst into a mass of seething flames.

Besides the Postal truck, said to have cost \$6400, there was in the garage two big stone trucks used on the State Highway—one belonging to C. E. Eckenrode, of Harrisburg, and the other, to Spiro Markoff, of Steelton—each truck said to have cost \$4000; six touring cars—one belonging to James W. Linn; one to Amos D. Peightel; one, to H. S. Daniels; one, to Sanner Ray; one, to Lloyd Ray; one, to F. E. Goodheart, superintendent of Highway construction, and a new Buick truck and lightning rod outfit, belonging to Chas. N. Moyer, of Freeburg, Snyder County.

From the garage the flames were carried to a large two-story frame building fronting on First Street, and to D. E. Little's stable on the alley west of the garage—both of which, together with the garage and all its contents, were totally destroyed.

The frame building on First Street belonged to the City Hotel property, and was used by W. H. Nesbit. In this building was stored Mr. Nesbit's automobile, and fourteen sacks of phosphate. Mr. Nesbit succeeded in getting his car out safe, but lost his phosphate.

The fire is believed to have been of incendiary origin, as there had not been any one working in the garage since the previous evening when it was locked up for the night. Persons living in the immediate vicinity, saw an automobile standing in front of the garage, and saw two or more men pass from the garage to the automobile just before the blaze started—the men getting into the auto and going eastward. The police in Chambersburg were notified, and they arrested a party; but the party convinced the officers they had nothing to do with the fire.

The loss of two of the three buildings could have been averted, it is believed, if the McConnellsburg Water Company had been giving the protection, that the town was paying for. The water plug at John Sheets corner—little more than a hundred feet from one of the burned buildings, was out of commission, which prevented the use of one hose.

Among the unfortunate things connected with the fire, there was but little insurance. D. E. Little's loss is estimated at \$2800 with \$800 insurance. Mr. Markoff is said to have \$4000 on his truck. The rest, we are informed, had no insurance.

America Leads.

America now is leading the world in ship production. Comparisons of figures on deliveries issued by the shipping board with unofficial figures on the output of yards in the United Kingdom show that men in this country had delivered 1,636,403 dead-weight tons since January, while the British yards have turned out 1,505,836.

Before the war Great Britain turned out more ship tonnage than all the rest of the world combined.

Bob Speer of Everett and Dr. Enfield of Bedford have each been reappointed postmaster of his respective town for four years more.

FROM THE SOLDIER BOYS.

Extracts from Letters Which Contain Glimpses of Army Life in the Service of Uncle Sam.

Under date of August 8th, Orben L. Hebner, "somewhere in France," writes: "When on my way over, I experienced no sea sickness; although, when we hit the Gulf Stream, I felt sort of dizzy, due, I suppose, to the stuffiness of the air in the quarters, for we were pretty well crowded. Since in the service I have ridden and slept in everything—including Pullman coaches, ocean liners, third-class European railroad coaches, box cars and horse transports. The box cars of Europe are a joke compared with those in America. They are not one-third as large, and have only about a five-ton capacity. Seeing the world through a part hole on sea, or through the door of a box car on land, may have its disadvantages, but one certainly does accumulate a lot of material for comparisons. The more I see of Europe, the more I appreciate America—the Stars and Stripes, and what they stand for. It takes war-time army life, and the sight of the so-called 'old country', to make one appreciate the United States as the 'sweet land of liberty', the 'home of the brave' the 'land of plenty', the 'land of opportunity'—the nation upon whom God has placed the responsibility of making and keeping the world free from Imperialism and a safe place to live in.

There is no hustle nor scurry in the towns over here like in the United States. They seem to be doing things as they did a hundred year ago. Pleasure automobiles in Europe are as scarce as submarines in Licking Creek, and bicycles as numerous as Flivers in Whips Cove. Every body rides a bicycle—from the children to grandfather and grandmother.

Most of the hauling is done by great carts with high wheels, drawn by one horse; when two, or three, horses are used, they are hitched, one in front of the other, instead of driving them abreast. The reason for this, I presume, most of the country roads are very narrow. Women and girls are doing the work of men in nearly every avocation including street cleaning, teaming, operating street cars, and acting as engineers and firemen on the railroads. Of course, it must be kept in mind that this condition has been brought up on the women by the war—the men having been taken into the army.

The French people show profound respect for the Stars and Stripes and for the American soldier.

The scenery of France is very beautiful. From the top of a hill near our camp, we can view the surrounding country for miles, with its peaceful villages and fine farms. We are undergoing a strenuous schedule, and I am confident that our efforts will be felt by the "Bloody Germans" as the English soldiers call them, when we get up on the firing line. We are not a bit homesick. There are too many interesting things to see and do every day. We can buy fine Champagne for less than \$2.00 a quart; and as it is the first opportunity most of our boys have had for months to taste anything stronger than army coffee, you may imagine how we like it!

We boys are too busy drilling, and confined too closely to camp, to meet the refined French girls; so American girls need have no fear of losing their soldier beaux.

We boys have a great time with French horses. They are taught to obey French commands, and they understand an American about as well as we understand a Frenchman.

A fine spirit of fellowship exists among French, Canadian and American troops. I think

ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW.

Snapshots at Their Comings and Goings Here for a Vacation, or Away for a Restful Outing.

Miss Mabel Jackson of Tyrone, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Louise Jackson East Lincoln way.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Kline and their little son Walter, were among the out-of-town shoppers last Saturday evening.

Mack Chesnut, who is employed at Riddlesburg, is home this week. He says men are in great demand at Riddlesburg.

Miss Elizabeth Patterson of Baltimore, spent a few days in the home of her parents. Hon. and Mrs. D. H. Patterson during the past week.

Cashier and Mrs. Wilson L. Nace motored to Huntingdon, Pa. last Saturday afternoon and spent the week-end with Editor and Mrs. H. V. Black.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bishop and daughters Olive and Lucy were in town Tuesday morning. Mr. Bishop stated that the wife of the late Corporal John C. Bishop; had received official notice of the death of her husband in France.

In the future the people of these countries will have considerable influence in the administration of the world's business.

With kindest regards to all my Fulton County friends,

I am, sincerely,
PVT. ORBEN HEBNER
319 Inf. Mach. Gun. Co.,
Am. E. F. France
P. S. Roy Earley, Walter Barnett and myself are all in the same company.

Pvt. Howard E. Kirk, Pvt. Lloyd A. Winter, Pvt. Richard R. Ott, Pvt. Frank G. Ott, Pvt. William N. Badtford, and Pvt. James Sherman Deshong—we are the boys that left old Fulton County on the 28th of August for Camp Lee and arrived at our destination the next day at 4 o'clock, a. m. It seemed like a long wearisome day and night's travel. There were so many stops and delays—awaiting other sections for our train, which, when we arrived here, was composed of fourteen coaches—and filled to overflowing with Pennsylvania boys.

We all like it here. It is a nice place. Everything nice and clean. No flies; no dirt. We receive very civil treatment, and have good meals and beds. Of course, we must drill hard; but to most of us it is not fatiguing—easy compared with the work most of us were accustomed to at home. We, six, are still together—in the same Company, and in the same barracks. Through the kindness of some one at home, the FULTON COUNTY NEWS comes to us every week. We wish again to thank the Camp-fire Girls for our comfort kits, and the Red Cross Ladies for the lunch they gave us to munch on the way. Some of the boys are now at the Y. M. C. A., as this is "stunt" night, and is very popular; others are sleeping or writing letters, and altogether, we are a happy, contented bunch. If you wish to write to any one of us, address "Company 5, 2nd Training Bat., 155th Depot Brigade, Camp Lee, Va."

Wayne Q. Taylor, Co. C, 103rd Regiment Eng., Am. E. F., France, writes under date of August 15th: DEAR MOTHER:—I have just received your letter and was surely glad to get it. You must have had a big time in "the old town" on the 4th of July. Am glad to hear that Marshall McKibbin won the Captaincy.

I received a letter from brother John the other day. I am keeping a look out for him. We may run together some time on our travels, for we have both been

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